CITY PLANNING COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA THURSDAY, MAY 11, 2017 after 8:30 a.m.

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POLICY FOR DESIGNATED PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

Pursuant to the Commission's general operating procedures, the Commission at times must necessarily limit the speaking times of those presenting testimony on either side of an issue that is <u>designated</u> as a public hearing item. In all instances, however, equal time is allowed for presentation of pros and cons of matters to be acted upon. All requests to address the Commission on public hearing items must be submitted <u>prior</u> to the Commission's consideration of the item. **EVERY PERSON WISHING TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION MUST COMPLETE A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM AND SUBMIT IT TO THE COMMISSION STAFF.**

Written submissions are governed by Rule 10 of the Los Angeles City Planning Commission Rules and Operating Procedures, a copy of which is posted online at http://planning.lacity.org/Forms_Procedures/CPCPolicy.pdf. Day of hearing submissions (20 copies must be provided) are limited to 2 pages plus accompanying photographs. Submissions that do not comply with these rules will be stamped "File Copy. Non-Complying Submission." Non-complying submissions will be placed into the official case file, but they will not be delivered to or considered by the CPC, and will not be included in the official administrative record for the item at issue.

The Commission may ADJOURN FOR LUNCH at approximately 12:00 Noon. Any cases not acted upon during the morning session will be considered after lunch. TIME SEGMENTS noted * herein are approximate. Some items may be delayed due to length of discussion of previous items.

The Commission may RECONSIDER and alter its action taken on items listed herein at any time during this meeting or during the next regular meeting, in accordance with the Commission Policies and Procedures and provided that the Commission retains jurisdiction over the case. In the case of a Commission meeting cancellation, all items shall be continued to the next regular meeting date or beyond, as long as the continuance is within the legal time limits of the case or cases.

Sign language, interpreters, assistive listening devices, or other auxiliary aids and/or other services may be provided upon request. To ensure availability of services, please make your request no later than **7 days** prior to the meeting by calling the Commission Executive Assistant at (213) 978-1300 or by e-mail at CPC@lacity.org.

If you challenge these agenda items in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing agenized here, or in written correspondence on these matters delivered to this agency at or prior to the public hearing. If you seek judicial review of any decision of the City pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.5, the petition for writ of mandate pursuant to that section must be filed no later than the 90th day following the date on which the City's decision became final pursuant to California Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. There may be other time limits which also affect your ability to seek judicial review.

AGENDAS are posted for public review in the Main Street lobby of City Hall East, 200 No. Main Street, Los Angeles, California, and are accessible on-line at http://planning.lacity.org. Click the Meetings and Hearings link. Commission meetings may be heard on Council Phone by dialing (213) 621-2489 or (818) 904-9450.

GLOSSARY OF ENVIRONMENTAL TERMS:

CEQA - Calif. Environmental Quality Act EIR - Environmental Impact Report CE - Categorical Exemption ND - Negative Declaration MND - Mitigated Negative Declaration

1. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- A. Update on City Planning Commission Status Reports and Active Assignments
- B. Legal actions and issues update
- C. Other Items of Interest

2. **COMMISSION BUSINESS**

- A. Advance Calendar
- B. Commission Requests
- C. Minutes of Meeting April 20, 2017 and April 27, 2017

3. <u>NEIGHBORHOOD COUNCIL PRESENTATION:</u>

Presentation by Neighborhood Council representatives on any Neighborhood Council resolution, or community impact statement filed with the City Clerk, which relates to any agenda item listed or being considered on this agenda. The Neighborhood Council representative shall provide the Board or Commission with a copy of the Neighborhood Council's resolution or community impact statement. THESE PRESENTATIONS WILL BE TAKEN AT THE TIME THE AGENDA ITEM IS CALLED FOR CONSIDERATION.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

The Commission shall provide an opportunity in open meetings for the public to address it, for a cumulative total of up to thirty (30) minutes, on items of interest to the public that are within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Commission. (This requirement is in addition to any other hearing required or imposed by law).

PERSONS WISHING TO SPEAK MUST SUBMIT A SPEAKER'S REQUEST FORM. ALL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSION ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS AND ITEMS OF INTEREST TO THE PUBLIC THAT ARE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION MUST BE SUBMITTED PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

Individual testimony within the public comment period shall be limited as follows:

- (a) For non-agendized matters, up to five (5) minutes per person and up to ten (10) minutes per subject.
- (b) For agendized matters, up to three (3) minutes per person and up to ten (10) minutes per subject. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR THESE ITEMS WILL BE DEFERRED UNTIL SUCH TIME AS EACH ITEM IS CALLED FOR CONSIDERATION. The Chair of the Commission may allocate the number of speakers per subject, the time allotted each subject, and the time allotted each speaker.

5. **CONSENT CALENDAR (No Items)**

Consent Calendar items are considered to be not controversial and will be treated as one agenda item. The Consent Calendar will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless the item is removed from the Consent Calendar, in which event the item will be considered as time allows on the regular agenda.

6. CPC-2016-4121-GPA-SP-SPP

CEQA: Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Renovation Project EIR, Addenda and Errata; SCH No. 1990011065

Plan Area: South Los Angeles

PUBLIC HEARING – Completed April 5, 2017

PROJECT SITE: 3800 South Vermont Avenue

PROPOSED PROJECT:

The demolition of existing surface parking lots and the construction, use, and maintenance of a new museum consisting of up to 300,000 square feet of floor area, within five stories, with a maximum height of 115 feet. The museum will include a café and restaurant, theaters, office space, lecture halls, a library, classrooms, exhibition space, and landscaped open space. The project includes the proposed construction of a two-level parking structure located beneath the museum along with a separate three-level subterranean parking structure located adjacent to the south of the museum with a combined total of up to 2,425 parking spaces. The existing soccer field located on the project site would be relocated immediately south of the project site at the corner of Vermont Avenue and Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

- 1. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Sections 15162, 15163, and 15164, in consideration of the whole of the administrative record, that the project was adequately assessed in the previously certified Environmental Impact Report, First Addendum, Second Addendum, Third Addendum, Fourth Addendum, and Errata, findings, Statement of Overriding Considerations and accompanying mitigation measures and Mitigation Monitoring Program for the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum Renovation Project EIR (SCH No. 1990011065); and no subsequent EIR, Negative Declaration, or further addendum or other CEQA analysis is required for approval of the project;
- 2. Pursuant to City Charter Section 555 and Section 11.5.6, of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), an amendment to Mobility Plan 2035, an element of the General Plan, to change the street designation of the portion of 39th Street located between Vermont Avenue and Bill Robertson Lane within the Coliseum District Specific Plan as shown on the Citywide General Plan Circulation System Maps and the South Los Angeles Community Plan Circulation Map from a Collector Street to a Local Street;
- 3. Pursuant to the procedures set forth in LAMC Section 11.5.7-G, a Specific Plan Amendment to modify the language of the Coliseum District Specific Plan; and
- 4. Pursuant to LAMC Section 11.5.7-C, Project Permit Compliance Review for a project within the Coliseum District Specific Plan.

Applicant: Angelo Avila Garcia, Lucas Museum of Narrative Art

Representative: Laurie Stone, University of Southern California

Staff: Heather Bleemers, City Planner

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Council District: 9 – Price, Jr.

Last Day to Act: 05-17-17

7. **VTT-73981-1A**

CEQA: ENV-2016-343-MND

Plan Area: Wilshire

Related Case: CPC-2016-341-VZC-ZAA-SPR

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 3545 West Wilshire Boulevard:

3539-3551 West Wilshire Boulevard;

601, 611, 619, 627, 637, 645 South Ardmore Avenue

PROPOSED PROJECT:

The demolition of existing structures and the construction, use, and maintenance of a new 513,732 square-foot mixed-use building consisting of a 14-story building along 6th Street and a 32-story building along Wilshire Boulevard, and 6 levels of parking. The mixed-use buildings will contain a total of 428 residential dwelling units and 31,689 square feet of commercial space. The project will provide a total of 864 automobile parking spaces and 652 bicycle parking spaces.

APPEAL:

An appeal of the Deputy Advisory Agency's determination to approve a Vesting Tentative Tract Map for a maximum of one ground lot and seven air space lots for a maximum of 428 residential dwelling units and 31,689 square feet of commercial space, with a total of 864 automobile parking spaces and 652 bicycle parking spaces; and an appeal of the Mitigated Negative Declaration No. ENV-2016-343-MND and the Mitigation Monitoring Program for Mitigated Negative Declaration No. ENV-2016-343-MND as the environmental clearance for the project.

Applicant: 3545 Wilshire, LLC

Representative: Jim Ries, Craig Lawson & Co. LLC

Appellant: CreedLA

Staff: May Sirinopwongsagon, City Planner

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8. <u>CPC-2016-341-VZC-ZAA-SPR</u>

CEQA: ENV-2016-343-MND

Plan Area: Wilshire

Related Case: VTT-73981-1A

PUBLIC HEARING - Completed February 9, 2017

PROJECT SITE: 3545 West Wilshire Boulevard:

3539-3551 West Wilshire Boulevard:

601, 611, 619, 627, 637, and 645 South Ardmore Avenue

PROPOSED PROJECT:

The demolition of existing structures and the construction, use, and maintenance of a new 513,732 square-foot mixed-use building consisting of a 14-story building along 6th Street and a 32-story building along Wilshire Boulevard, and 6 levels of parking. The mixed-use buildings will contain a total of 428

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residential dwelling units and 31,689 square feet of commercial space. The project will provide a total of 864 automobile parking spaces and 652 bicycle parking spaces.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

- 1. Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074(b) consideration of the whole of the administrative record including the Mitigated Negative Declaration No. ENV-2016-343-MND (Mitigated Negative Declaration), all comments received, the imposition of mitigation measures and the Mitigation Monitoring Program prepared for the Mitigated Negative Declaration;
- 2. Pursuant to Section 12.32-Q of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a Vesting Zone Change from C2-2, R5-2, P-2, and C4-2 to C4-2;
- 3. Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.28, a Zoning Administrator's Adjustment to permit a zero-foot side yard setback for levels 1 through 6 of the residential parking structure in lieu of the required 16 feet required pursuant to LAMC Section 12.16-C,2; and
- 4. Pursuant to LAMC Section 16.05, Site Plan Review for a development which creates 50 or more residential dwelling units.

Applicant: 3545 Wilshire, LLC

Representative: Jim Ries, Craig Lawson & Co. LLC

Staff: May Sirinopwongsagon, City Planner

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9. <u>DIR-2016-4543-DB-1A</u> CEQA: ENV-2016-4544-CE

Plan Area: Wilshire

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: 850 South La Brea Avenue

PROPOSED PROJECT:

The construction of a mixed-use building with 40 residential dwelling units with 11 percent, four (4) units, set aside for Very-Low Income Households and approximately 4,500 square feet of commercial space. The building is proposed as a five (5) story building over two (2) levels of subterranean parking. The project proposes to provide 47 residential and 13 commercial parking spaces.

APPEAL:

Appeal of the Planning Director's determination to conditionally approve two On-Menu Density Bonus Incentives pursuant to Section 12.22-A, 25 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), as follows:

- a. Floor Area Ratio (FAR) not to exceed 3:1 in lieu of the 1.5:1 FAR; and
- b. Twenty percent reduction in the open space requirement to provide 3,520 square feet of open space in lieu of 4,400 square feet.

Applicant: Farzad Halayi, Labrea9, LLC

Appellants: Elizabeth Fuller; Ed and Christine Costumbrado; Donald Klein

Staff: May Sirinopwongsagon, City Planner

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Council District: 4 - Ryu

Last Day to Act: 06-21-17

10. **CPC-2016-3761-DB-SPP**

CEQA: CPC-2016-3762-MND

Plan Area: West Adams – Baldwin Hills – Leimert

PUBLIC HEARING – Completed January 10, 2017

PROJECT SITE: 4339 – 4355 West Adams Boulevard

PROPOSED PROJECT:

An Affordable Senior Housing residential building that is 49 feet in height (four stories) and contains 62,000 square feet of floor area with 48 residential apartment units, of which 47 units are restricted affordable and one is a market rate manager's unit. The project provides 29 vehicle parking spaces and 53 bicycle parking spaces (48 long term and five short term) located at grade. The project is located in the C2-1-O-SP Zone within Subarea A (Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan) of the West Adams-Baldwin Hills-Leimert Community Plan.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

- Pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15074(b) consideration of the whole of the administrative record including the Mitigated Negative Declaration No. ENV-2016-3762-MND (Mitigated Negative Declaration), all comments received, the imposition of mitigation measures and the Mitigation Monitoring Program prepared for the project;
- 2. Pursuant to Section 12.22-A,25 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC) the applicant proposes to set aside 98 percent of the new restricted affordable units at the Senior Very Low and Senior Low Income level with one market-rate manager's unit and requests the following two On-Menu Incentives:
 - a. Increase of the Floor Area Ratio (FAR) to 2.92 in lieu of the maximum permitted 1.5 FAR as required by LAMC Section 12.21.1-A,1;
 - b. Building height increase of four feet to allow 49 feet in height in lieu of the 45 feet height limit as required in Subarea A of the Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan;
- 3. Pursuant to LAMC Section 12.22-A,25(g)(3), the applicant requests two Off-Menu Incentives to allow:
 - a. A reduction of the rear yard setback defined as the western property line, to seven (7) feet in lieu of the 16 feet as required by LAMC Section 12.11-C,3;
 - b. A reduction of the side yard setback, fronting along Adams Avenue, to zero (0) feet in lieu of the seven (7) feet required by LAMC Section 12.11-C,2; and
- 4. Pursuant to LAMC Section 11.5.7-C, a Project Permit Compliance Review within the Crenshaw Corridor Specific Plan.

Applicant: 4347 Adams, LP

Representative: Jim Ries, Craig Lawson & Co.

Staff: Iris Wan, City Planning Associate

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Last Day to Act: 06-21-17

11. **CPC-2011-927-GPA-ZC-HD-SP-CUP-M2**

CEQA: EIR SCH No. 2009011101 Plan Area: South Los Angeles Related Case: CPC-2011-1171-DA Council District: 9 – Price, Jr. Last Day to Act: N/A

PUBLIC HEARING – Completed April 21, 2017

PROJECT SITE: 929 Jefferson Boulevard

University of Southern California Park Campus Specific Plan (Subarea 3)

PROPOSED PROJECT:

An amendment to Appendix B, Jefferson Boulevard Streetscape Plan, of the USC University Park Campus Specific Plan to allow two vehicular lay by lanes/drop off lanes within the required public sidewalk and the provision of the required 14-foot sidewalks partially on private property via public easement.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

- Find that the Environmental Impact Report ENV-2009-271-EIR, SCH No. 2009011101 and related Environmental Findings and Statement of Overriding Considerations, previously certified by the City Council in connection with the adoption of the Specific Plan ordinance, are adequate environmental clearance for this action;
- 2. Pursuant to 11.5.7 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code and Section 14 of the USC University Park Campus Specific Plan, an Amendment of the Jefferson Boulevard Streetscape Plan (Appendix B of the USC University Park Campus Specific Plan), to modify the street standards for W. Jefferson Boulevard to include two drop off/lay by lanes and to allow the required 14-foot sidewalks to be provided partially via public easement on private property.

Applicant: University of Southern California

Representative: Brian League, University of Southern California

Staff: Michelle Singh, City Planner

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12. CPC-2015-4184-GPA-ZC-BL-SPR**

Plan Area: Mission Hills-Panorama City -North Hills

Council District: 7 – Wesson* Last Day to Act: 06-24-17

*caretaker

PROJECT SITE: 9433 Sepulveda Boulevard

15500 - 15508 Plummer Street

**On April 25, 2017 the Planning and Land Use Management Committee considered the project and proposed changes to the Plan Amendment from that approved by the City Planning Commission at their meeting of October 27, 2016. Pursuant to Los Angeles Municipal Code Section 11.5.6 F, the matter is hereby returned to the City Planning Commission for recommendation on the proposed changes.

REQUESTED ACTION:

Pursuant to Charter Section 555 and Section 11.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), a General Plan Amendment from Low Residential and a portion of Medium Residential to Low Medium Residential, to allow for 21 detached condominiums and a 54 unit apartment building.

Applicant: Williams Homes, Scott Smith

Representative: Eric Lieberman

Staff: Nelson Rodriguez, City Planning Associate

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THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS WILL BE CONSIDERED AFTER 11:00 A.M.

13. **CPC-2016-4760-GPA**

CEQA: ENV-2016-4761-ND Plan Area: West Los Angeles

PUBLIC HEARING - Completed February 24, 2017

PROJECT SITE: 2951 South Midvale Avenue

PROPOSED PROJECT:

General Plan Amendment to revise the existing West Los Angeles Community Plan land use designation for a 6,345 square-foot lot fronting on the west side of Midvale Avenue between National Boulevard and Sproul Avenue, from Medium-Density Residential to Low-Density Residential, in conjunction with the continued use and maintenance of an existing single-family home and detached garage.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

- 1. Pursuant to Section 21082.1(c)(3) of the California Public Resources Code, consideration of a Negative Declaration ENV-2016-4761-ND as the environmental clearance for this action;
- 2. Pursuant to Section 11.5.6 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code, a General Plan Amendment of the West Los Angeles Community Plan to re-designate the lot from Medium Residential to Low Residential;

Applicant: City of Los Angeles

Staff: Antonio Isaia, City Planning Associate

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Council District: 5 - Koretz

Last Day to Act: N/A

14. **CPC-2017-1240-CA**

CEQA: ENV-2017-1241-CE

Plan Area: All

PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED

PROJECT SITE: Citywide

PROPOSED ORDINANCE:

An Ordinance amending Sections 16.05 of the Los Angeles Municipal Code to align provisions of the Site Plan Review Ordinance with recent changes to State law, involving revisions to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (SB226, SB743, and SB375) and the dissolution of redevelopment agencies Statewide (ABx1 26). The amendment will also bring Site Plan Review time limits into consistency with those applicable to other similar types of cases.

REQUESTED ACTIONS:

- Based on the whole of the administrative records, the Project is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Sections 15061(b)(3) and 15378(b)(5) of the California Public Resource Code and City CEQA Guidelines, Article II, Section 2, Class (m), and there is no substantial evidence demonstrating that an exception to a categorical exemption pursuant to CEQA Guidelines, Section 15300.2 applies.
- 2. Pursuant to Section 12.32 E of the Los Angeles Municipal Code (LAMC), amendments to the following sections of the LAMC:
 - a. Section 16.05.E(4): Removal of description of types of Environmental Clearances;
 - b. Section 16.05.G(2): Removal of requirement for the "CRA" to act as "Lead Agency";
 - c. Section 16.05.H(3): Modification of time for an appeal to be set for public hearing.

Applicant: City of Los Angeles

Staff: Christine Saponara, City Planner

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The next scheduled regular meeting of the City Planning Commission will be held on:

Thursday, May 25, 2017

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Last Day to Act: N/A